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E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: MARR, EAIR, KU, TU
SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR OVERFLIGHT CLEARANCE FOR DELIVERY OF A-4 AIRCRAFT TO KUWAIT

REF: (A) ANKARA 2846, (B) ANKARA 2597

1. ON APRIL 20 EMBOFF CONTACTED MFA INTERNATIONAL SECURITY AFFAIRS OFFICER (DUMLU) WHO HANDLES FLIGHT CLEARANCES TO INQUIRE ABOUT GOT POSITION ON PROPOSED OVERFLIGHT/TRANSFER AT INCIRLIK OF A-4'S FOR KUWAIT. DUMLU SAID THAT MATTER HAS BEEN REFERRED BY MFA TO "HIGH POLITICAL AUTHORITIES" (PRESUMABLY PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE), AND THAT NO REPEAT NO DECISION HAS YET BEEN MADE. DUMLU CONTINUED, HOWEVER, THAT MFA "TECHNICAL LEVEL" OFFICIALS HAD RECOMMENDED TO "POLITICAL LEVEL" THAT REQUEST TO TRANSFER A-4'S TO KUWAITIS AT INCIRLIK BE DISAPPROVED ON BASIS THAT GOT HAS NOT IN PAST PERMITTED SUCH TRANSFERS TO BE MADE ON TURKISH SOIL (SEE ALSO PARA 1 REFTEL B).

2. ON POSITIVE SIDE, DUMLU OPINED THAT GOT MAY ALLOW ONLY OVERFLIGHT OF A-4'S, AS IT HAS DONE IN CASE OF IRANIAN F-4'S AND F-16'S. HE ALSO SAID DIRECT APPROACH
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TO GOT BY KUWAITIS ON THIS SCORE MIGHT BE HELPFUL IN PROMOTING A FAVORABLE DECISION. DUMLU ADDED THAT GOT HAS NOT REPEAT NOT YET BEEN APPROACHED BY KUWAITIS ON ANY ASPECT OF A-4 TRANSFER PROGRAM. FINALLY, DUMLU SAID HE COULD NOT PREDICT WHEN FINAL DECISION ON A-4 PROGRAM WOULD BE REACHED.
MACOMBER

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